

THE INDEX.

MEDICINE LODGE, KANSAS

FRIDAY FEB. 2, 1883.

The next issue of the Index will appear enlarged and greatly improved, with new type and more reading matter. The constantly increasing patronage received since the present management took charge of the paper, last July, has rendered this improvement necessary. Stockmen have come forward and patronized the paper most liberally, and every day that patronage is increasing. We have been and shall continue to publish a paper that they can rely on; not one day that they and the next day favoring issues antagonistic to theirs. The paper will speak out on all live issues and its columns are open to stockmen to advance their interests.

We want reliable news from every portion of the range as to the condition of stock; the strays that need attention; the sales made and those contemplated. We want personal and news notes from every neighborhood and will esteem it a favor if our friends will send in such news.

Lately we have added a large amount of new material to the office and have secured additional assistance, and are prepared to do anything in the printing line.

The Index goes to nearly every cow camp in the southwest and is read by nearly all the prominent live-stockmen in the Eastern states. Parties desiring to buy or sell stock cannot find a better advertising medium.

There were two capitalists in town this week looking around for a desirable investment in real estate. They were Mr. John G. Woods, banker, of Wellington, and of the firm of Woods, Parsons & Co., Harper, and Mr. F. A. Parsons, of the same firm. They went away pleased with the substantial appearance of the town. The fact is this place impresses all strangers the same way, as being substantially built and nothing of the mush room growth about it. Then the abundance of pure water that flows almost through its streets the year round; the healthy location; the certainty of the cattle crop that supports the town, make this a desirable location for anyone.

From what we have heard stockmen say lately, we are satisfied that there is a disposition to put on the range this year many more bulls than are now here. The per cent. of calves branded last year was not what it might have been had proper attention been previously given to this important matter. This scarcity is by no means confined to this range, for down in Texas stockmen have been making a big fuss about it, and have been making it exceedingly unpleasant for those who own only one cattle and steers. Such men should be "shaken up," wherever they are. A man might as well try to conduct a farm without agricultural implements, trusting to the generosity of his neighbors for the loan of theirs. They are as bad as a man in the northern part of this state who desired to go into the poultry business: From one neighbor he borrowed a hen and from another neighbor a "setting" of eggs, and when the chickens came, he actually made himself believe they belonged to him.

Several of our stockmen have already gone East to purchase high bred stock and others will follow soon; and still others should go or write for a few animals.

It is such an easy matter to select good animals, too. There are herds of Short-horns, Herefords, Galloways—any good for this climate—that may be secured at reasonable prices. The advertising columns of this paper, or any other stockman's paper, will tell who are the persons to purchase from.

The appointment of John Q. Tufts as the special agent to investigate the occupation of the Cherokee strip by stockmen and to report on the fence question, meets with general satisfaction. He is at present the general agent of the Cherokees, Creeks, Choctaws, Chickasaws and Seminole Indians, and is in a position to know the wishes of his people, and will, at the same time, make a fair and impartial report. Stockmen who have enclosed range in the Territory and complied with the requirements of the nation, as indicated by its agents, have nothing to fear from an investigation. No reasonable man doubts that the lands are bringing a better and more certain revenue as now occupied than it could be made to yield under any other arrangement. The much abused wire fences are practically security for the prompt payment of the grazing tax on the cattle; while if it was necessary to remove the cattle for any reason, they could be more easily rounded up in the pastures than if they were running at large in the Territory. The improvements, descriptions of which have been so greatly exaggerated, are trifling, outside of the fences, and are certainly not of a character that might be construed as permanent, or as encouraging a permanent settlement.

Agent Tufts will be at Caldwell on the 7th inst., next Wednesday.

Emporia News: "A Smith county cow gave birth to three calves one day last week. It seems quite impossible to divorce the name of Smith from the prolific associations which it always suggests to the public mind."

The city council of Caldwell have appointed Henry Brown marshal in the place of Bat Carr. The marshal is hired for life at a salary of \$100 per month.

Old man Throop, confined in Butler county jail for violating the prohibition law, died in that institution a few days ago, of paralysis.

Our neighbor, the Cresset. Objects to being called the agricultural organ, and is severe in charging the Index with misrepresentation. Without arguing the point, for our space is valuable, we will leave it to the readers of that paper to say if it has not done more to encourage people in coming to this county and settling it up as an agricultural community than a board of immigration would have done. That paper has had a yearning for more people, without regard to the damage a crowded population would be to the stock interests. We are working for the principal interest of the county, the live stock business, and the columns of the paper show that our efforts are appreciated. Stockmen know where to find the Index on every important issue, while there is no telling which side the Cresset may take. Figuratively speaking, it sits on the fence until it sees the way the majority is going and then it "dips."

Yesterday was the day the Oklahoma colonists were to have started from Coffeyville into the Territory. Several car loads of provisions and supplies have been shipped out of Kansas City this week, and the material for printing a daily paper was taken along. The colonists say they do not fear interruption from the authorities, claiming they have a precedent to protect them, stockmen having been allowed to locate in the Territory. The two cases are not similar in any manner. The stockmen are only renting grazing lands fit for nothing else, and do not want or expect permanent title; nor are they attempting to put on lasting improvements—only such as are necessary for protecting their stock. They pay for their privilege. Payne's crowd want to own the land; build towns and make permanent improvements and pay nothing for it. They won't remain there three months.

There has long since been an impression that the name of this county—Barbour—was misspelled and that it should be BARBER. No doubt this was the intention of the legislature that named the county. Mr. Speer, of Douglass county, proposes to remedy the defect, and to that end has introduced a bill to change the name from BARBOUR to BARBER, to conform to the spelling of the name of Thos. W. Barber, who was killed by the border ruffians at Lawrence in 1855, the name of the county to perpetuate the name of the young man who is described as a hero and martyr.

Two important bills have been introduced in the legislature, which have the same object in view. They propose to make it a misdemeanor for any person to sell, trade, give or loan, any pistol, revolver, or toy pistol by which cartridges may be exploded, or any dirk, bowie-knife, brass knuckles, slingshot or other dangerous weapon, to any minor, or to any person of notoriously unsound mind. Such legislation is much needed, for there are entirely too many murders and accidents from these weapons and toys when in the hands of irresponsible persons.

Complaint was made to the legislature of this state about the management of the Kansas City stock yards. An investigating committee was appointed, and it now reports that the charges of mismanagement were without foundation; that all charges for feed, yard expenses, etc., are 25 per cent. cheaper than Chicago or St. Louis. So the matter rests for the present, at least.

Colorado has elected Thomas M. Bowen United States senator for the full term and Governor Tabor to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Secretary Teller. Both are men of great wealth and fair ability; both are considered men of the world and understand all of the whiskey and card attachments.

Mr. Hoover, the member from Ford county (Dodge City), has introduced a resolution in the legislature asking congress to establish a national cattle trail through the western section of counties for taking through cattle to the railroad for shipment.

T. P. Hawes, of Anderson county, claims to be the veteran Hereford cattle man of the west.

LEGAL NOTICES.

Notice to those Intending to Prove Up on Osage Lands.

Every individual in this or Comanche county who intends to "prove up" will find it to their advantage to call upon S. J. Shepler, Probate Judge. He is the proper person to make out final proof papers, and will give full information concerning late land office rulings.

Notices for Publication.

Land Office at Larned, Kansas, January 24, 1883. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Probate Judge of Barbour county Kansas at the county seat on Saturday, March 3, 1883, viz: Johnathan B. Cook, declaratory statement No. 1550, for the s e q s e q, east 1/4 s e q, section 10, n e q s e q, section 15, township 30, south of range 15, west.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Samuel Slack, William H. Slack, James C. Logan, all of Medicine Lodge P O Barbour county Kansas.

C. A. MORRIS, Register.

Land Office at Larned, Kansas, January 27, 1883. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before S. J. Shepler, Probate Judge of Barbour county Kansas, at the county seat on Saturday, March 3, 1883, viz: Johnathan C. Marshall, declaratory statement No. 1556, for the east 1/4 s e q, n w q s e q, section 10, n e q s e q, section 15, township 30, south of range 15, west.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Wesley L. Cox, L. Clark Gregory, J. W. Smith, Jack Fishburn, all of Sun City post office, Barbour county, Kansas.

Viz: Jack Fishburn, declaratory statement No. 1514, for the west 1/4 n e q, east 1/4 n w q, section 12, township 30, south of range 15, west.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of said land, viz: Wallace D. Mosher, George

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Land Office at Larned, Kansas, January 30, 1883.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Probate Judge of Barbour county Kansas, at the county seat on Friday, March 24, 1883, viz: Hugh C. Cresset, declaratory statement No. 1572, for the west 1/4 s e q and south 1/4 s e q, section 27, township 32, south of range 15, west.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: George McDowell, Robert Eitelj, Frank Tomlinson and John Farris, all of Lake City P. O., Barbour county, Kansas.

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He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: C. C. Peppard, James Byrne, James Miles, Scott Loomis, all of Sun City P. O., Barbour county Kansas.

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He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Scott A. Loomis, Robert Lucas, James M. Hutchins, Frederick A. Dudley, all of Sun City P. O., Barbour county, Kansas.

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He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: James B. Hutchins, Henry A. Noh, James Wiley, John McKittrick, all of Lake City P. O., Barbour county, Kansas.

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Angby, Samuel Wagner, Jackson Stewart, all of Lake City post office, Barbour county Kansas.

Viz: Samuel Wagner, declaratory statement No. 1711 for the s w q s e q, section 34 south of range 15 west. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Oscar F. Throckmorton, George Angby, Wallace D. Mosher, Jackson Stewart, all of Lake City post office, Barbour county, Kansas.

Viz: Wallace D. Mosher, declaratory statement No. 1709 for the s w q s e q, s e q s w q, section 15, n e q n w q, n w e q, section 22, township 34, south of range 15 west. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Jackson Stewart, Samuel Wagner, Oscar F. Throckmorton, George Angby, all of Lake City post office, Barbour county Kansas.

Viz: Jackson Stewart, declaratory statement No. 1716 for the south half s w q, section 20, north half s w q, section 29, township 33, south of range 17 west. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Samuel Wagner, Oscar F. Throckmorton, George Angby, Wallace D. Mosher, all of Lake City post office, Barbour county Kansas.

Viz: George Angby, declaratory statement No. 1715, for the west half s e q and west half s e q, section 9, township 32 south of range 19 west. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Jackson Stewart, Samuel Wagner, Oscar F. Throckmorton, Wallace D. Mosher, all of Lake City post office, Barbour county Kansas.

Land Office at Larned, Kansas, Jan. 5, 1883.

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He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of said land, viz: Elliott H. Jacks, R. B. Carter, J. M. Bell and Henry Ushofer, all of Medicine Lodge P O, Barbour county, Kansas.

C. A. Morris, Register.

Land Office at Larned, Kansas, Dec. 22, 1882.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Probate Judge of Barbour county Kansas, at the county seat on Saturday, February 3d, 1883, viz: Robert H. Smith, declaratory statement No. 1469, for the north half s w q, s e q s w q, and s w e q or section 22, township 30, south of range 13 west. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: R. L. Carter, John Keyes, John F. Keyes, Benjamin Keyes, all of Elm Mills post office, Barbour county Kansas.

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Land Office at Larned, Kansas, December 22, 1882.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Probate Judge of Barbour county Kansas, at the county seat on Monday, February 5, 1883, viz: Lev R. Rogers, declaratory statement No. 1610 for the east half s e q, and east half s e q, section 34, township 30 south of range 13 west.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: William C. Dark, Frederick Nurse, John McKittrick, Jonas F. Lawrence, all of Lake City post office, Barbour county Kansas.

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Land Office at Larned, Kansas, Jan. 12, 1883.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before S. J. Shepler, Probate Judge of Barbour county Kansas at the county seat on Saturday, February 24, 1883, viz: Josiah L. Mardock, declaratory statement No. 1574 for the south-east quarter section 27 township 33 south of range 13 west. He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: David Yates, David Gregg, David Reeves, Thomas Ormy, all of Medicine Lodge post office, Barbour county, Kansas.

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Land Office at Larned, Kans., January 16, 1883.

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He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of said land, viz: Frank Tomlinson, James Farris, R. Lake, Frank Gordon, Jr., all of Lake City post office, Barbour county Kansas.

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REUB. LAKE, LAKE CITY, KANSAS.